

June Roberts and Francis X. Donegan, dancers in John Cort's musical comedy, "LISTEN LESTER," coming to the Orpheum, Tuesday and Wednesday, November 9 and 10. Seat sale opens today.



### THE KIDDER KIDDED!



This is Ruby Lynn.

Ruby is a Litchfield, Ill., waitress.

She leaped to fame when she was sweetly complimented on her glorious hair by Senator James Hamilton Lewis. She returned the compliment by calling J. Ham a "bolshhevik" on account of his whiskers.

J. Ham was running for governor of Illinois. The other day, campaigning in Litchfield, he dropped into a restaurant and sat at Ruby's table. He was in jesting mood. Ruby approached and J. Ham began:

"Ah-h-h! my dear, when I gaze upon your wealth of chestnut hair, which the rays of a beneficent and salubrious sun have kissed into a delicate gold—when I observe the little dimple nestling so coyly in that shapely chin, I rejoice that the committee whose work it was to pick my itinerary should have placed Litchfield on the list. Ruby, you may bring me a cup of coffee, if you please."

Ruby giggled, made a flattering reference to his "bolshhevik" whiskers, and replied:

"You know, senator, I've been kidded by experts." (So has the senator, what?)

## RECRUITS FLOCK TO MAN FLEETS

Many U. S. Warships Given Full Crews and Put in Operation

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—Recruiting for the navy is progressing so satisfactorily that naval officials believe it soon will be possible to send to sea a large number of vessels of all classes now carried on paper as part of the fleet, but actually tied up at navy yards for lack of crews.

Recruits are entering the service at a rate exceeding 2,300 a week, and the training stations are daily sending large numbers of men to the fleets after the usual four months of training.

**MANY SHIPS TIED UP**  
On Nov. 1, the navy was only 25,000 men short of the authorized strength of the approximately 14,200 and it is believed at the department that the full strength will be reached before March 1. Eighteen battleships are now with the Atlantic and Pacific fleets on cruising duty while four others have reduced crews. Thirteen of the older type are out of commission entirely.

Of the 24 modern destroyers completed and turned over to the navy, only 15 are now in full commission and of these 25 are in European waters or are outfitting for service abroad. Of the remaining 120 are laid up with crews of thirty men aboard and the others are out of commission entirely.

**DEPEND ON RESERVISTS**  
It is explained at the navy department that there is no expectation of ever placing full crews aboard all the destroyers in time of peace as the navy now has a superabundance of this type of vessels.

About forty per cent of the destroyers eventually will be kept fully manned and on duty with the fleets and the others given only large enough crews to keep them ready for duty in time of emergency.

The naval reserve force, naval officers say, can always be depended upon to provide trained crews for both destroyers and battleships in reserve when occasion demands.

No modern submarines are out of commission, according to naval officials, but 36 of these vessels of the older type are without full crews. Difficulty has been experienced in training men for the submarines due to the peculiar technical nature of the duty.

**CRUISE DRAWS MANY**  
Of the fifty-five Eagle boats on the navy list 33 are fully manned, with 26 cruisers and gunboats in full commission and 24 in reduced commission are laid up.

The substantial increase in pay granted the navy at the last session of congress together with the recent announcement of an extended cruise by the Atlantic and Pacific fleets this winter to ports in South America, Africa, Australia and New Zealand, have served to greatly stimulate enlistments, officials at the department say.

## PUBLIC GREET SICK EXECUTIVE

White House Lawns Covered With Great Throng of Friends

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—President Wilson made his first public appearance last night in more than a year when he was lifted in his wheel chair to the east portico of the White House while hundreds of Washington leaguers of nations adherents gathered on the White House lawn to do him honor.

**FAMILY IS NEAR**  
The crowd of men, women and children bearing state banners and the national flag under the leadership of John F. Costello, Democratic national committeeman for the District of Columbia, assembled at Democratic national headquarters and marched to the White House where the gates were open to the public for the first time since the beginning of the war.

As the president was lifted in his wheel chair up the steps from the interior of the White House leading to the east portico the crowd on the terrace below broke into applause and joined in the singing of "America."

Mrs. Wilson and members of the family stood about the president while the crowd sang. With an overcoat buttoned closely about him and a soft hat shading his face, the president sat silent watching the throng below. There was more cheering as the song ended.

**PRESIDENT PLEASED**  
A soloist sang "Carry Me Back to Old Virginia" and the crowd picked up the chorus. The president's face relaxed and he turned his head to speak to Mrs. Wilson beside his chair. As the song ended amid renewed cheers a large bouquet of flowers was laid upon the balustrade before him. Mr. Wilson raised his hat and held it aloft as attendants rolled his chair back toward the door. The crowd sent up cheers for the league and for the president and Mrs. Wilson waved a final greeting from the doorway, sang "The Star-Spangled Banner."

## NICK ARNSTEIN PLEADS NOT GUILTY IN COURT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—Julius W. "Nicky" Arnstein entered a plea of not guilty when arraigned here today before Justice Gould of the District of Columbia supreme court on an indictment charging him and others with conspiring to bring stolen securities into the district from New York. Arnstein reserved the right to withdraw his plea within a week and make such other motions as he might decide upon.

One phase of the Arnstein case is expected to be ruled on Monday by the United States supreme court and until then Justice Gould refused to decide the question of bail.

David W. Sullivan and Wiley W. Easterday, Washington brokers named with Arnstein in the indictment, were arraigned with him today and also entered pleas of not guilty. Both are at liberty on bond.

## ANTI-PAROCIAL SCHOOL AMENDMENT DEFEATED

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Nov. 5.—The anti-parochial school amendment requiring compulsory education of all children from 5 to 16 years of age in public schools was defeated Tuesday in Michigan, virtually complete returns showed. The vote was 275,332 for, and 479,848 against.



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## MEXICANS SEIZE IDLE COAL MINES

American, British and French Companies Will Make Protest

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 5.—American, British and French mining companies in the state of Coahuila plan a protest to the Mexican government against the latter's decision to operate many mines in the state, owing to the inability of employers and striking workmen to reach an agreement ending the present strike. It is denied in official circles the government has intended to confiscate the mines, but it is asserted drastic measures are necessary to supply railroads and factories with fuel. The constitution, it is pointed out, authorizes the government to act in such an emergency.

Representatives of the governor of Coahuila yesterday took over five mining properties, announcing that operations would start probably today. The men have been idle for ten days following a strike in support of demands for wage increases ranging from 100 to 250 per cent. All profits, it is said, will be turned over to the owners of the mines.

**U. S. PROTEST AVERTED**  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—Official protest against the seizure by Mexico of the coal mines in the state of Coahuila was averted by the explanation received today by the state department from the American embassy at Mexico City that the Mexican government did not contemplate the confiscation of the property.

The mines are owned by American, French and British companies and the report that the Mexican government had determined upon government operation of the mines pending adjustment of a strike caused the companies to place the case before the state department.

## HER CAMPAIGN WON ELECTION

Oklahoma Woman Pioneer Talked to Customers in Her Cafeteria

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Nov. 5.—Miss Alice Robertson, former cafeteria owner and the only congresswoman-elect in the United States, sat in her little restaurant last night planning the menu for today's noon-day meal. "I think I should celebrate my own election by preparing some extra fruit salad and fried chicken," she said as she typed the bill of fare. Then she turned again to politics and shook hands with many who came to congratulate her on her victory over W. W. Hastings, Democrat, who has represented the second congressional district since 1914.

**OPPOSED SUFFRAGE**  
"Miss Alice," known over the state as the most picturesque character in Oklahoma, made the race for congress although she was opposed to and worked actively against the woman suffrage amendment.

"The men have thrust the vote on us. Now I'm going to see if they mean it," she said when she announced her candidacy. "I guess they did," she concluded, when figures telling of her election were brought to her.

The story of Miss Robertson's life, which began in a little Indian mission, ten miles from here 55 years ago, is the story of a sacrifice by a woman for the betterment of the Indian tribes here. Her father came to the old Indian

territory in 1849 when the cry of "Gold" was heard from California. But his mission was not one of wealth. "My father came to be a good citizen for the new country," she said.

Her victory was by 273 votes, out of approximately 20,000 ballots cast but instead of being conducted on her "front porch," it was conducted in her cafeteria.

Whenever a man or woman went there to eat, she sat down at the table and "talked it over." She also ran "ads" in the daily newspapers proclaiming the day's menu, giving biblical quotations, and advancing political arguments. The "ads" rivaled even the news columns for their interest.

Two Roman villages dating back to the first century, B. C., have been discovered by excavations in the Swiss Alps.

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Shakespeare had only one romance in his life, and that was unhappy.

## RATE HEARING APPEAL OF KANSAS IS REFUSED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—The petition of the Kansas court of relations for a hearing on the advanced interstate rates granted in western territory was denied today by the interstate commerce commission. The court contended that the roads in western territory would earn approximately \$192,000,000 in excess of 6 per cent on the value of the railway properties in that territory under the new rates.

The commission's announcement gave no reasons for denying the petition.

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The armistice with Germany was signed near the little village of Rethondes in the forest of Compiègne, France.

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